



## Children's Home Inventory for Listening Difficulties (C.H.I.L.D.)

### Questions for the Child to Answer

Picture yourself in the following situations. How easy is it for you to hear and understand? Use the Understand-O-Meter to pick the level that tells how easy or hard it is for you to understand. Put the number in the box after each question. Everyone has a harder time hearing in some situations. Only you know the right answer for you.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

### Listening Situations

1. You are sitting next to your mom or dad. You are looking at a book together or talking about something in front of you. You are not looking at mom or dad's face as they talk to you. It's quiet. How difficult is it for you to hear and understand what your mom or dad says?
2. Your family is together for a meal at home or at a quiet restaurant. Someone across the table asks you a question. How difficult is it for you to hear and understand what is said?
3. You are in your bedroom playing quietly. Mom and dad walk into the room without saying your name or getting your attention before they tell or ask you something. How difficult is it for you to hear and understand what is said if your parents don't get your attention before talking to you?
4. You are watching a TV show or movie (not cartoons). How difficult is it for you to hear and understand what people are saying on the TV show or movie? (The show or movie is not captioned.)
5. You are playing inside with a friend, brother or sister. That child asks you to do something (Do you know where your yo-yo is?). How easy is it to hear and understand when other children talk to you?
6. You are watching TV or playing with a noisy toy. Someone walks into the room and talks to you. How difficult is it for you to hear and understand the person when there is noise from the TV or a toy?
7. Mom and dad call you from another room. You can't see them and you are busy playing or doing homework. How difficult is it for you to hear them and know they are calling you?
8. It is time to get up and get ready for school. How difficult is it for you to hear an alarm clock or clock radio go off so you wake up? (Or a parent telling you it is time to wake up, but not touching you?)

### Understand-O-Meter

- 8 **GREAT**  
Hear every word,  
understand everything
- 7 **GOOD**  
Hear it all, miss part of  
an occasional word, still  
understand everything
- 6 **PRETTY GOOD**  
Hear almost all of the  
words and usually  
understand everything
- 5 **OKAY BUT NOT EASY**  
Hear almost all the  
words, sometimes  
misunderstand what  
was said
- 4 **IT TAKES WORK BUT  
USUALLY CAN GET IT**  
Hear most of the words,  
understand more than  
half of what was said
- 3 **SOMETIMES GET IT,  
SOMETIMES DON'T**  
Hear words but  
understand less than  
half of what was said
- 2 **TOUGH GOING**  
Sometimes don't  
know right away that  
someone is talking, miss  
most of message
- 1 **HUH?**  
Don't know that  
someone is talking, miss  
all of message

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## Child's Responses to the C.H.I.L.D.

9. You are playing with a group of children inside a house. It's noisy How difficult is it for you to understand what the children are saying as you all play as a group?
10. A grandparent, family member or friend wants to talk to you on the phone. How difficult is it for you to hear and understand what is said over the phone?
11. You are playing outside with other children (riding bikes, playing ball, skateboarding, playing on a swing). How difficult is it for you to hear and understand what other children are saying when you are outside and they are not standing close to you?
12. You are in a crowded store or mall with mom or dad. You are looking at something and mom or dad talk when they are standing behind you. How is it for you to hear and understand what they are saying?
13. You are at home with your family. Mom or dad talk to you from across a large room. How well do you hear and understand what is said?
14. You are in the backseat of the car. Mom or dad is driving and say something to you. How easy is it for you to hear and understand what is said? ("How was school?" "Do you have any homework?")
15. You and a family member are talking. It is quiet and you are able to see the person's face as they talk. How difficult is it for you to hear and understand what is said?

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- 7 GOOD**  
Hear it all, miss part of an occasional word, still understand everything
- 6 PRETTY GOOD**  
Hear almost all of the words and usually understand everything
- 5 OKAY BUT NOT EASY**  
Hear almost all the words, sometimes misunderstand what was said
- 4 IT TAKES WORK BUT USUALLY CAN GET IT**  
Hear most of the words, understand more than half of what was said
- 3 SOMETIMES GET IT, SOMETIMES DON'T**  
Hear words but understand less than half of what was said
- 2 TOUGH GOING**  
Sometimes don't know right away that someone is talking, miss most of message
- 1 HUH?**  
Don't know that someone is talking, miss all of message

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| <b>Total of responses</b>                            |  |
| <b>Average of responses<br/>(Total divide by 15)</b> |  |